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Sloan Shoemaker Executive Director, Wilderness Workshop P.O. Box 1442 Carbondale, CO 81623

Dear Mr. Shoemaker:

On August 14, 2017 you filed an objection challenging the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness Overnight Visitor Use Management Plan on the White River National Forest. The legal notice for this project's draft decision notice was published in the Glenwood Springs Post Independent on June 29, 2017, which initiated the 45-day objection filing period. Your objection was filed timely and was reviewed pursuant to Title 36 of the Code of Federal Regulations, Part 218 (36 CFR 218).

I appreciate your involvement in the management of the White River National Forest and your participation in the September 22, 2017 objection resolution meeting. Based on this meeting and follow-up conversation you had with District Ranger Karen Schroyer, you withdrew your objection on October 26, 2017. Due to your objection withdrawal, I am setting aside your objection from review pursuant to 36 CFR 218.10(a)(6). In consideration for your objection withdrawal, I am instructing the responsible official, White River Forest Supervisor Scott Fitzwilliams, by copy of this letter, to do the following:

- Identify in the plan the time period(s) when permits would be required if/when a permit system is triggered in any particular zone;
- Clarify in the plan the number of nights that visitors would be allowed to camp in particular zones that are subject of the permit system; and
- Clarify in the plan the number of people per site or group that would be allowed to camp in particular zones that are subject of the permit system.

Please see the attached signed copy of our objection resolution agreement. As required by 36 CFR 218.12(a), Forest Supervisor Fitzwilliams cannot sign a decision for this project until all instructions have been addressed. If you have any questions or concerns regarding this response, please contact Ken Tu, Administrative Review Coordinator, at 303-275-5156 or <a href="kktu@fs.fed.us">kktu@fs.fed.us</a>.

Sincerely,

MARIBETH GUSTAFSON

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Deputy Regional Forester

Enclosure

cc: Peter Hart, Scott Fitzwilliams, Karen Schroyer, Ken Tu





## Maroon Bells-Snowmass Wilderness Overnight Visitor Use Management Plan Negotiated Objection Resolution

Objector: Sloan Shoemaker, Wilderness Workshop

Objection Number: 17-02-00-0109-218B

To resolve Wilderness Workshop's objection to the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Overnight Visitor Use Management Plan, filed on August 14, 2017, I (Maribeth Gustafson) agree to instruct the responsible official to do the following, in consideration for your withdrawal of your objection:

- Identify in the plan the time period(s) when permits would be required if/when a permit system is triggered in any particular zone;
- Clarify in the plan the number of nights that visitors would be allowed to camp in particular zones that are subject of the permit system; and
- Clarify in the plan the number of people per site or group that would be allowed to camp in particular zones that are subject of the permit system.

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MARIBETH GUSTAFSON
Deputy Regional Forester, Rocky Mountain Region
Reviewing Officer

In consideration of the above, I (Sloan Shoemaker) withdraw Wilderness Workshop's objection to the Maroon Bells-Snowmass Overnight Visitor Use Management Plan filed on August 14, 2017.

SLOAN SHOEMAKER

Executive Director, Wilderness Workshop

October 26, 2017

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Date